

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS**

TODD JOHNSON,)	
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Plaintiff,)	
)	
vs.)	Case No. 22-cv-2155-SMY
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KRUPP TRUCKING, LLC, MARY WILKS, and)	
MATEO DIAZ,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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CHRISTOPHER SCHMIDT and)	
MELISSA SCHMIDT,)	
)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	Case No. 22-cv-2268-SMY
vs.)	
)	
KRUPP TRUCKING, LLC and MARY WILKS.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	

MEMORANDUM AND ORDER

This matter comes before the Court on the Motion to Set a Scheduling Conference and to Consolidate (Doc. 16). The parties request the consolidation of *Todd Johnson v. Krupp Trucking, LLC et al.*, Case No. 22-cv-2155-SMY and *Christopher Schmidt et al. v. Krupp Trucking, LLC et al.*, Case No. 22-cv-2268-SMY.

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 42(a), a court may consolidate actions when they “involve a common question of law or fact.” Here, there are common questions of law and fact as each case alleges personal injuries arising from a July 25, 2022, truck accident involving six vehicles and at least twelve individuals. Accordingly, the Court **GRANTS** the Motion to

Consolidate (Doc. 16) and **CONSOLIDATES** Case Numbers 22-cv-2155-SMY and 22-cv-2268-SMY.

This matter is set for a final pre-trial conference on January 10, 2024, at 9:30 a.m. and jury trial is set for January 22, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Benton Courthouse. The parties shall submit a proposed consolidated scheduling order by January 20, 2023, via e-mail to SMYpd@ilsd.uscourts.gov. This matter is set for a telephonic status conference on January 27, 2023, at 10:30 a.m. Instructions for joining the conference call are as follows: All parties should call toll free 877-873-8017 and enter the access code 4354777.

The Clerk of Court is **DIRECTED** to file a copy of this Order in case numbers 22-cv-2268. **All future filings shall be made in case number 22-cv-2155-SMY.**

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: December 21, 2022



STACI M. YANDLE
United States District Judge